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Angel Food Ministries Continues to Serve and Hits March Peak

Record March Numbers Show Need is Climbing as Food Costs Rise Amidst Economic Slump

March 20, 2009 – Monroe, GA: Angel Food Ministries (www.angelfoodministries.com), an organization dedicated to providing affordable, high quality food to those in need, achieved its highest ever March distribution with 560,000 boxes distributed, and only second highest distribution numbers in its history, indicating further the growing need for affordable, quality food.

Angel Food Ministries provides boxes of food to more than 5000 communities in 39 states and feeds more than 320,000 families each month. Through Angel Food's benevolence funds, the organization has donated \$560 thousand back into local communities and churches this month alone and more than \$20 million since its inception.

Pastor Joe Wingo, CEO and founder, said, "Our March numbers humble us, as we see there is a great need being filled, yet we need to do more. We fear that those who are going hungry are multiplying with each day and down turn in the national employment figures."

Pastor Wingo continued, "Angel Food Ministries has been under somewhat of a siege in the public eye for a few months, and we feel it every day. It is our greatest privilege to be able to continue filling a national need and helping families through the rough times. We appreciate the support and confidence that this distribution demonstrates; we feel for those who seek food relief through us, and praise God for giving us the abilities to minister to so many through this national epidemic."

Angel Food Ministries (www.angelfoodministries.com) is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing financial support in the form of food relief to communities throughout the United States. Established in 1994 to provide relief for struggling families in the Monroe, GA area, Angel Food Ministries today serves hundreds of thousands of families across 39 states. Since inception, Angel Food Ministries has fed more than 20 million Americans. In 2008, AFM provided \$120 million in direct food assistance to American families.

Angel Food offers a medium-sized box of food for \$30 that contains top quality food staples from every food group, including chicken or beef, milk, eggs, vegetables, and other nutritious items. One box of food feeds a family of four for about one week, or a single senior citizen for almost a month. The menu varies each month, and consists of both fresh and frozen items with an average retail value of approximately \$60.

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